COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

| THE APPLICATION OF MEADE COUNTY RURAL |) | |
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| ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION FOR |) | |
| A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND |) | |
| NECESSITY PURSUANT TO KRS 278.020(1) AND |) | CASE NO. |
| 807 KAR 5:001, SECTION 9 AND RELATED |) | 2005-00522 |
| SECTIONS, AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROPOSED |) | |
| CONSTRUCTION |) | |

<u>ORDER</u>

Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation ("Meade County RECC") filed its application on December 8, 2005 for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct certain improvements and additions to its existing plant at an estimated cost of \$16,318,647. In support of its application Meade County RECC filed its 2005-2008 Work Plan, which describes in detail the improvements and additions to its plant that are required over the next 3 years to serve its load.

Meade County RECC seeks authorization to construct extensions and additions to its plant as follows:

| 1. | Distribution Lines to Serve 1,968 New Customers | \$ 3,640,800 |
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| 2. | Distribution Line Conversions and Replacements | 5,330,619 |
| 3. | Miscellaneous Equipment and Poles | 6,192,029 |
| 4. | Security Lights, Automated Meter Reading and | |
| | SCADA | <u>1,155,199</u> |
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| TO | ΓAL | \$16,318,647 |

The proposed construction will enable Meade County RECC to continue to provide adequate and dependable electric service to its customers. The system

improvements recommended in this Work Plan will not duplicate existing facilities and

are needed to correct voltage problems, improve phase balance, and provide for

improved service reliability.

Based on the application and supporting 2005-2008 Work Plan, and being

otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that the proposed improvements

and additions to be constructed by Meade County RECC are necessary to provide

adequate, reliable electric service to existing customers and anticipated new customers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Meade County RECC is granted a Certificate

of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct the facilities described in its 2005-

2008 Work Plan.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 22nd day of February, 2006.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director